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THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" Sir, the number of cattle that should be permitted to graze is limited in the interests of the preservation of forests. If there is any illicit permission granted for grazing, I would like the hon. Member to bring it to my notice."

SRI K. KUNHI MOHAMAD SHAFEE :—" May I know Sir, whether any grazing fee is levied for elephants and, if so, what is the rate fixed? "

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" I have no information with me."

Construction of a new building for the District Headquarters Hospital, Mangalore.

* 302 *Q.*—SRI M. S. MOGRAL : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(*a*) the total amount sanctioned for the construction of the new building of the District Headquarters Hospital at Mangalore;

(*b*) the amount spent so far;

(*c*) when the construction of the buildings will be completed;

(*d*) the old bed-strength of the Hospital: and

(*e*) the future bed-strength of the Hospital?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (*a*) Rupees 16·8 lakhs.

" (*b*) Rupees 6,66,877 up to the end of December 1953.

" (*c*) The construction now in progress may be completed in the course of this year.

" (*d*) 116.

" (*e*) 314."

Conference of the Presidency Panchayat Union.

* 303 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received a copy of the resolutions passed by the conference held at Madras under the auspices of the Presidency Panchayat Union at the end of January 1954; and

(*b*) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

SRI M. NARAYANA KURUP :—" Is the Union, a recognized Union? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" Yes, Sir. It is a recognized Union."

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SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Did any Minister of this Cabinet take part in this Conference? If so, were not the resolutions passed under the very auspices of the Minister or have they not been forwarded to the Government? "

THE HON. SRI K. RAJARAM :—" The Minister was not present when the resolutions were passed. The resolutions have also not been forwarded to the Government till now."

Awards of Industrial Tribunals.

* 304 Q.—SRI P. K. GOPALAKRISHNAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state the number of awards of Industrial Tribunals that were not implemented in the State in the year 1953?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" 54 awards."

Attachment of paddy crops for arrears of melwaram.

* 305 Q.—SRI S. RAMALINGAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representation from the villagers of Ambalapattu, Pattukottai taluk, Tanjore district, that their paddy crops were attached for arrears of melwaram due to the zamindar by Revenue officials and that the attachment might be cancelled ; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) A telegram was received from one Sri Murugaiyam representing that Revenue officials attached Kurvai crop for three years' kist arrears in Ambalapattu village in Pattukottai taluk and that attachment should be cancelled.

" (b) A report was called for from the Collector in the matter and pending issue of orders the Collector was informed that attachments made for arrears of rent due from the ryots of the Ambalapattu village should be lifted and attachment should be confined to the arrears of two faslis only. The Collector's report has been received and the matter is under the consideration of the Government."

Prohibition of processions near the Assembly Hall.

* 306 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Chief Minister be pleased to state—

(a) whether it is a fact that the Commissioner of Police, Madras, has passed an order prohibiting processions and gathering of people in the roads around the Assembly Hall since 26th February 1954 ; and

(b) if so, the necessity for this order?